

# Bay Area Carnivorous Plant Society Newsletter

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## Membership

Any person can become a member of the Bay Area Carnivorous Plant Society by paying a membership fee of \$5.00 US for each calendar year. Membership includes 4 issues of the BACPS newsletter along with other benefits. An extra \$5.00 US will be charged for non-US addresses to cover additional mailing expenses of the newsletter. Dues may be given to the society treasurer, Joe Mazrimas, at the meetings or mailed to the society address on the front cover. Make checks payable to BACPS.

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## President's Message

Mike Ross

Happy spring! We will all soon be observing the burst from dormancy and the blossoms to follow from our favorite plants. Our March Meeting will be mostly a social event with plenty of plants to buy, or win in the raffle, or outbid in the auction.

Please bring some of your best specimens for display. Our "Show and Tell" sessions are always interesting. We all want to know how to "better" take care of our plants in cultivation. Also, please bring in any new or recent articles about CP that you may have found in Magazines or newspapers for discussion.

The business portion will see us deciding on the clubs leadership with elections.

We should hear some close to final numbers for the attendance at the conference in June.

The Berkeley Botanical Gardens may have some interesting spring growth for your enjoyment as well...hope to see you at the meeting....Mike

## Meeting Notes

11 December, 1999

Due to the low turnout at the December meeting, the planned elections were postponed until the March meeting, when hopefully a larger turnout would make elections more realistic and valid.

Robert Floch said he will be the new chairman of the Oakland Home and Garden Show happening in Mid-May. The Oakland show was discussed and members encouraged to grow plants to sell. Members were also encouraged to help man the display table.

David O. Gray pitched the ICPS World Conference and updated the group as to the latest progress. A respectable turnout is forecast; with around one hundred people registered so far. The field trip is on hold because of liability concerns.

David wrote by-laws for a new Carnivorous Plant organization called NCCPS (Northern California Carnivorous Plant Society) so we can get non-profit status and incorporation under California laws.

Our guest speaker for the December 1999 meeting was Joe Mazrimas who gave a slide show and talk on his travels across the USA last summer. One highlight of this trip was a visit to Supply, NC where he visited a *Sarracenia* bog. The bog was in the Green Swamp area and we saw on the slides all the *S. flava* variants, *S. rubra rubra*, *Dionaea muscipula*, *Drosera capillaris* and *D. intermedia*. A highlight was the 50-acre Nature Conservancy site full of flytraps growing like a carpet of grass. Some of the largest flytraps were found in this area. He also went up to Virginia to see Don Schnell and had a chance to show some great slides of Don's greenhouse CP collection. Don grows all his *Sarracenia* in living *Sphagnum* moss and they looked great in the strong sunlight coming through the clear glass. The pitchers showed deep colors and were very healthy looking. He had a large exhaust fan at one end and screen door at the other end to let in the cooler air. It was 92 degrees

Fahrenheit inside in June. He had a great collection of Mexican *Pinguiculas* as well as all the American species; including the rare *P. ionantha*. One thing that was really impressive was that he grew great *Darlingtonia californica* under the benches in orchid baskets. These baskets were made of redwood slats with large spaces in between. The baskets were filled with live *Sphagnum* moss. Pitchers in this hot, hot area were one foot tall and he had many close bunches of them. He waters all his plants with de-ionized water. His tap water runs through an ion-exchanger tank from Culligan. He said it works great.

Joe also visited Dave Newman, who lives in New Hampshire. He had a great greenhouse full of nice *Sarracenia*. But he also had an orchid house, which he cooled down with spray and lots of fans. In it he had plants with 30 inch high *Darlingtonia* pitchers growing in live *Sphagnum* moss in a tray filled with water. They were beautiful. And this is in another hot area.

Joe had the opportunity to go on to Michigan to visit the bogs that had *S. purpurea*, *Drosera linearis*, *D. anglica* and *D. rotundifolia*, also the hybrids between the two plants of *D. linearis* and *D. anglica*. It's interesting that *D. linearis* is only found growing in the mucky and limey mud. The other two species and hybrids are growing on hilly *Sphagnum* islands in this muck or in puddles of water.

Joe also went to Nova Scotia to see lots of bogs on the southern coast on either side of Halifax. These were populated mainly with *S. purpurea*. There were lots of bogs with wooden ramps built into the middle of the bogs so people can see everything without getting their feet dirty or wet. One of the largest bogs, that had a ramp of 5 miles or more, was in Eastern New Brunswick. This bog is called Kelley's bog in the National Park called Kouchibouguac. The whole trip was a great opportunity to see CP in the wild.

### Next Newsletter Deadline

Please send in your articles, biographies, introductions, growing tips, trip reports, or photos! Announcements, calendar items, want ads, and articles for the next Newsletter should be received in writing by four weeks prior to the next meeting. Send information to the society's address on the cover. Better yet, send a text file on a 3.5 inch floppy disk or e-mail contributions to Gary Dughi at "Gary\_Dughi@dot.ca.gov". Scanned images may also be sent to this email address.

# Combined Treasurer's Report

Joe Mazrimas

as of 15 December 1999	INCOME	DEBIT
Vol 8:3 newsletter	\$183.00	\$45.22
Vol 8:4 newsletter	\$179.00	\$58.18
Oakland show	\$61.00	
T-shirt	\$15.00	
Dues	\$55.00	
Silent auction	\$9.00	
Raffle	\$45.00	
TOTAL	<u>\$547.00</u>	
Newsletter(200 copies)		\$33.03
postage		\$23.98
Randall Museum(6-99)		\$75.00
Randall Museum(12-99)		\$35.00
TOTAL		<u>\$270.41</u>
Current Balance	\$276.59	
Previous balance(3-13-99)	<u>\$1093.48</u>	
sub-total	<u>\$1370.07</u>	
Berkeley CP fund(3-13-99)	<u>\$1427.50</u>	
Total Balance	<u>\$2797.57</u>	

## Announcements

**Slide Show Presentation.** Barry Meyers-Rice will give a short slide show, focusing on the remaining wildlands of central Florida. In a recent visit to Orlando, Barry had time to visit several wildland areas, and took photographs of the carnivorous plants he saw.

**Photos for newsletter.** We would love to publish your carnivorous plant photographs in the newsletter. Please send prints to the society address on the front cover with any description or article about the photograph. Let us know if you would like the photo returned. Scanned images may be sent to Gary Dughi, newsletter editor, at [Gary\\_Dughi@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Gary_Dughi@dot.ca.gov).

**Bring Plants to display** at the next meeting. There is no judging; so don't worry about having the best or biggest plant. The meeting hall has plenty of room for display. If you have something extra, bring that along for the auction, raffle, or to trade. We can always use items for the raffle!

**BACPS web page.** BACPS now has a world-wide-web page administered by BACPS member Craig Gardner. Take a look at: "[www.jps.net/cgardner/bacps/bacps.html](http://www.jps.net/cgardner/bacps/bacps.html)".

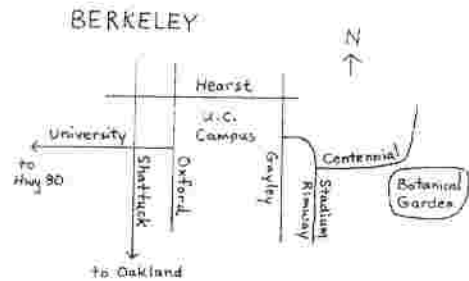
**California Carnivores web page.** California Carnivores now has a world-wide-web page on the internet at: "[www.californiacarnivores.com](http://www.californiacarnivores.com)".

**Computer CP Mailing List.** There is a computer mailing list specifically for carnivorous plant discussions. To participate, you need to be able to send electronic mail from a personal computer. To subscribe, either send the single-line message: "SUB CP Richard Nixon" to the internet address: "LISTSERV@CUTTER.HPL.HP.COM", or contact the list manager, Rick Walker, at "WALKER@OPUS.HPL.HP.COM". Remember to substitute your own given name for "Richard Nixon" in the example above! There is also a CP World-Wide-Web Database at "[http://www.hpl.hp.com/bot/cp\\_home](http://www.hpl.hp.com/bot/cp_home)" or "[http://192.6.19.66/bot/cp\\_home](http://192.6.19.66/bot/cp_home)". For more information, you can also contact Rick Walker at (415) 856-2354 Home or (415) 857-3754 Work.

## Bay Area CP Events Calendar

- 18 March 2000 **BACPS Meeting.**  
UC Botanical Garden, Berkeley
- 03 June 2000 **BACPS Meeting.**  
Randall Museum, San Francisco
- 17-19 June 2000 **ICPS World Conference 2000.**  
Fort Mason Center, San Francisco

*Meetings starts at noon and end around 4:00PM.*



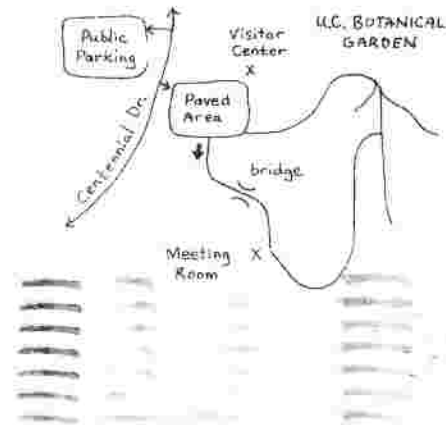
### Directions to the Botanical Garden

Once in the garden, walk down the paved road to the meeting hall.

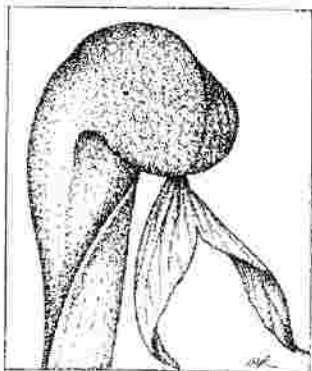
Parking lot fee for the garden is 50 cents per hour.

Garden admission:  
\$3 for Adults  
\$2 for Seniors 65+  
\$1 for Children (3-18)  
Free to Members, UC Students and Children under 3

The UC Botanical Garden is located at 200 Centennial Drive, Berkeley. General Information: (510)643-2755.



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